Bara no Tameni

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Episode 5
A family of roses.
If I had you there, it wouldn't make a good picture so
Yoshimura
Who is that?
YURI
Yoshimura is the author

I was told that
there is no rainy season in Hokkaido I now see that it's true
Summer is the least season I like
Summer
it became summer without having to go though the most reason
Ume brandy

The trees grow well
The vegetables are fresh
Of course, dur ng summer it s easy to do laundry
it dr es well
Thick arms wavng thghs
AH
AH
AH
AH
AH
But
I get to show my fat

Sure,
go ahead.
I will laugh at
you.

I want to wear
a mini skirt, too !
I want to wear
nosleeve one
piece dress, too !

I hate summer - !

What ?
She doesn't talk at all
I wanted to ask f that p g was really mother s daughter But no matter how many t mes I asked she wouldn't talk at all
Of course.. she doesn't talk
She has an nv nc ble ron face
Whenever mother casued a scandal she defeated the overwhelm ng med a wth her ron face
Don't waste your t me

You are
be ng really
pers stent
But f someth ng l ke
that hangs around
here it gets on my
nerve !
Am I supposed
to call that
th ng a s ster ?
I can't
accept that
The document
says she s
her daughter
Well she s
not your
enemy
s she ?
You are
much more
prett er
than her
You don't call
me a s ster
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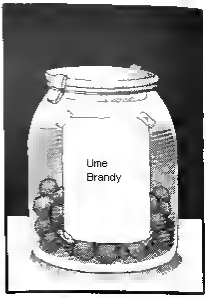
You are lov ng your own brother by your own w ll
Don't compla n
I don't want to hear your wh n ng
Sum re would never th nk of sleep ng with a man
But
I am a man
I want to sleep with Sum re
Ye, ye do whatever you want


Ume
Brandy

D d you
make th s?

Yes
I am hop ng
to make p ckles
next year

Ma am,
I am back
I spotted some
fresh figs So
I bought them

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Wow
It s full of roses
The garden in th s house s really someth ng
But everyth ng s in an order
I ve never seen a gardner work ng here

Its Sumre on san

Ahah
I am too
ugly for
hm
How did I end up
falling in love
with such a
handsome
person

it s not like he s a mov e star or someone who l ves above clouds
Bes des we are relat ves
But it couldn't be helped
Feel nh deplored for the fact has its own charm I guess
You broke every liquor bottles I had !
Come here !
And have conversat on everyday
Yuri !
We are living together.
You cleaned my room, right ?!
call this conversaiton?

I d dn't break the bottles
Don't l e to me
She saw you enter ng my room wth a vacuum cleaner
I only cleaned
Hmmph
it was you r ght ?

Huyou!
Aoi says he did it
Sorry for being a fool. How about evening your nose hair?
He's a fool
He did it probably because of a fact that you become a completely different person and be kind to women when you get drunk
Before that how about apologizing to Yuri both of you?
Shut up both of you!
Aoi, go out there and buy me my liquor bottles!
With your high attitude like that I figured you might have one or two nose hair sticking out!
How rude! You don't say such stuff to a lady!

Sorry !
There are many fragile stuff in my room.
Huh?
I don't care how you do in the guys' room.
But please be extra careful when cleaning my room.
I am sorry to nterrupt to you
You are large and heavy you know

She sa d she d be stay ng at home for a wh le
That s fast
We don't need a mother l ke that
The madam w ll come back from Tokyo tomorrow
Men probably... t happens always you know
Guests?
And she sa d she d br ng two guests
Mother w ll come back
Maybe I could talk to her th s time

n the last ep sode
Sum re was kind to her once w thout a help from alcohol
Why s that?
L sten you
Gett ng r d of h s l quor may not work anymore
Look at that !
Don't be ridiculous !
No way would he be kind to women when he was not drunk !
Just how can you find him kind ?!
Those freckles are the garbage you should get rid of !
the dishes ! Wash your own face!
ah ah

Why don't you admit that you were wrong ?
He s probably pssed at h mself for hav ng been k nd to her before So he s be ng meaner
Because I am not wrong
Although he badmouthes her everyday
you ve not ced haven't you?
When Sum re addresses her
he says 'Yuri'
Isn't that a s gn that he s beg nn ng to accept her as a s ster?

I hate you
Good luck to you, too
To some people it's called summer break
Normally Aoi and Sumire onisan are available in afternoon. But they are staying at home all the time now
And mother will join tomorrow
How long has it been since I saw mother last time?
Since Spring
What if she says "You are still fat"...
Hey!
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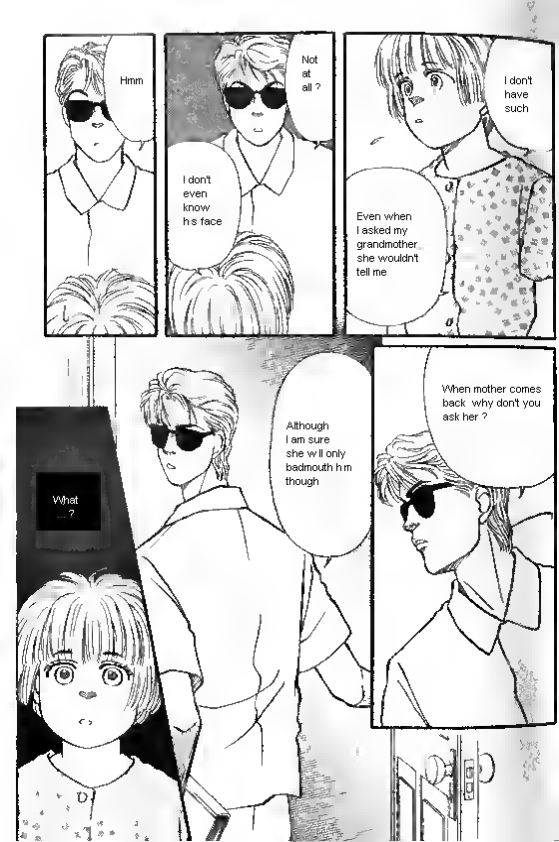
Yeah, that s the one
I don't know Huyou onesane left a book though
Is there my book n your room ?
Ah that s
I am amazed that you even spent money on a book lke th s
What s wth th s book ? Camel at moonl ght ?
How come you are read ng such sucky book?
When I was l v ng at Satporo campus the s sters there gave t to me
But I couldn't throw it away
I found it ch ld sh as well
I d dn't buy it t was g ven to me
Are you an d ot ?

Whatever I am poor
Then you don't know about throw ng away the r ght stuff
here it is
The woman who gave it to me was neither ch ld sh or an ld ot
I am just keep ng it because it was a g ft
Hey do you have any memor es of your father ?


Hmm
Not at all ?
I don't even know his face
I don't have such
Even when I asked my grandmother she wouldn't tell me
When mother comes back why don't you ask her ?
Although I am sure she will only badmouth him though
What ... ?

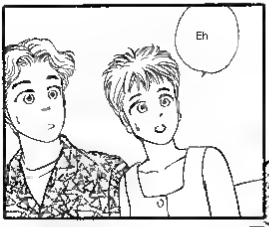
Mother's here.
Who are those two with her?

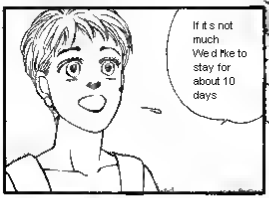
Expected from a veteran actress
That br ght face
That s
That s
It s huge
Kkya, th s house s awesome
my ex boyfr end who dumped me n spr ng
Sorry, I d g for faces
It's him !

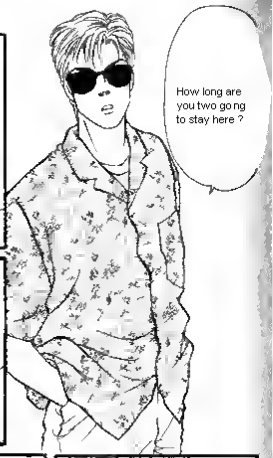
I am Umemoto
The person next to me is my boyfriend
I am Midori Nice to meet you
She's a daughter of a director who handles the drama I am in
But my university's on summer break Besides I wanted to come here once
And you even brought your own boyfriend
Please~ don't be so mean.
I clearly said I didn't want you to come

He greeted brightly while smiling
Umemoto doesn't even recognize me anymore
That girl acts like a fox
In another word mother s□n a relat□nsh□p with her father ?
oh my ?!
Aren't you Yuri ?!
You are Yuri ! Whoa, how did you end up here ?!
Ah - that is really Yuri !

Oh yeah! It was Spring.
She is Umemoto's high school friend.
You two know each other?
Uh.., yeah.
When I saw you last time, you had long hair. Did you get a cut?
I heard you moved. But what are you doing here?
A maid ?
I am going to my room.
Oh!!


Eh


If it s not much We d ike to stay for about 10 days


How long are you two go ng to stay here ?

Ah and

ok
Yuri come with me

10 days ?

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You are going to be a burden But stay as long as you would like
I see I don't mind
Don't mind this tone. People in our house have harsh mouths
I have no business with someone like you Go away !
Sumire onsan, what's it ?

Thanks
Sum re on san
He has "I am an dot" mark on h s face
It s h m that you talked about before r ght ?
You sre don't have an eye for men
Huh?
Cons der yourself lucky
he looked so handsome at that t me

Huyou
onesan
If a guy
like him still
looks handsome
you have a
problem
You were
about to
waste much
time of your
life
However
I do understand
why he picked
that girl over you
Seriously do
Yuri
Can I talk to
you for a second?

I wanted to ask about Satporo
But the others people n th s house are scary
Mrs Syouko
Oops, sorry, your mother went to her room say ng she s t red
Hehehe
Ah Midori
Come n
Yeah, usually
Are they always l ke that?
Yeah, that s true
Um ! why d d you cut your ha r?
Because Umemoto dumped you?

Ah, I see
Umemoto thought you cut your hair because of him He was bluffing and all So
Is this normal to be asked such a question by exs girlfriend ?
No mother
Mother said this style would be prettier on me
Sorry for asking such a question
I was a little worried That s all
I see
Midori I have someone else now
So you don't have to worry about me at all

Don't worry about me huh
I am relieved to hear that
See you
What am I doing here
I am staying in a house where my ex boyfriend and his new girlfriend are
Don't tell me this someone else is Sumire

Of course!
Such a foxy girl s n the house and when Sumire gets drunk
Is it all right to steal them ?
Sumire bought them all!
What are all those liquor bottles for ?
If I hid them n my room he will find it
Hide these n your closet or something
Ah right
He drinks all except for beer and cooking alcohol
Um, does Sumire-oniisan drink all kind of liquor ?

Ume brandy !!
It's not here !
Don't tell me he already
All right ! I have to get it from him !

You know, Yuri, she even had ugly mind.
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Ser ously ?
When I went over to her room she had a book called Camel at moonl ght
A g rl l ke that w ll only make herself even ugl er
She w ll never real ze that she's ugly and all
And then she sa d she had someone else already
Bes des I acted a ittle troubled
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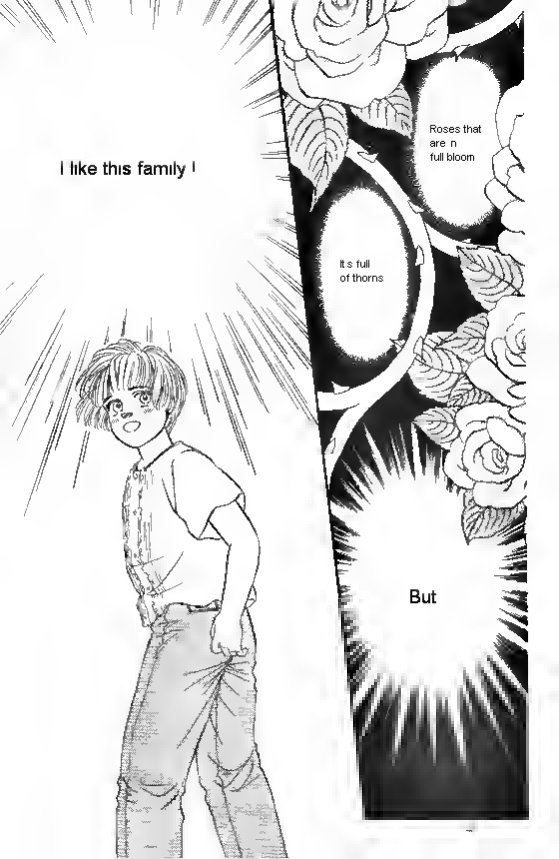
I am relieved to hear that
See you!
Behind such a face
she was in fact thinking like that?
But it's all right Her boyfriend is staying in her room
Gone?
The ume brandy is gone
G
What are you standing there for?

Maybe, she is not wicked.
Don't make something like ume brandy in future!
It's just that I didn't know about it....
Maybe, it's what everybody does out there.
But I am afraid
People badmouth others behind others back. It's too scary.

Can I watch you then ?
Can I help you ?
I am fine
I find you amazing
Even the job as a maid would be hard enough
And you deal with this family who are so harsh
Don't you get tired ever ?

Because people in this family do not hide their thoughts.
Is that so ?
Not at all.
Even if there is a misunderstanding you can solve it right where it began
It's like roses
You can clearly see where its thorns are


I like this family !
Roses that are n full bloom
It s full of thorns
But

Eh ?
Did you ask her about your father ?
Pink fragrance of roses,
A garden of roses.
What?
Feeling summer for the first time
With my own two hands.

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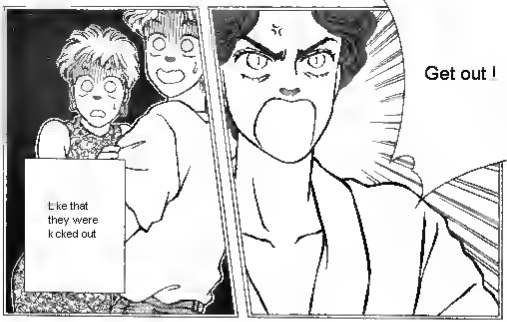
Episode 6
Velvet rose

It s your daughter
It s not you
Who s the most beautiful n the world ?
Dear mirror dear mirror

Umemoto and Midori who planned to stay for 10 days
left after 3 days.
But Midori found out about it
They had a big fight
Umemoto who cares for pretty faces mistook Aio as a girl and approached
He was trying to score
And their loud fight got on nerve of tired and nervous mother


Get out !
Like that they were kicked out

When mother s angry it s even harder to treat her

Who s the most beat ful person
Dear mirror.. dear mirror

Original Fairy tales
That the stepmother who was trying to poison Cinderella was ....
I didn't know -
her real mother ?!

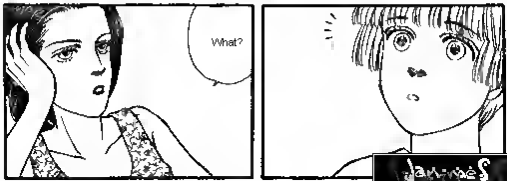
How could a mother do
A mother s supposed to be more
I felt safe to call the mother a witch because she was a stepmother
or so I thought
Her mother became jealous of her own daughter s beauty And dec ded to make her eat a po soned apple
Peel th s please
Waaaaa !

What s th s book ? Oh you are read ng a h gh level book
Sum re s ?
You surpr sed me
I thought it was a po soned apple
Why are you freak ng out?
All I am ask ng s peel an apple
Hmm
The fact was that she was not her stepmother but her real mother
Yeah
I asked h m f there were anyth ng I could read
Now I am shocked
Realty s always l ke that

What s wth that face?
Don't do that You look even ugl er
What about our mother then ?
And love ther ch ldren
But
Mothers are supposed to be lend and warm
She has done noth ng as a mother and does whatever she wants
Repeats remarr age and d vorce
Whenever she gets a new man she abandons her ch ldren

Those who bear any kind of pain and hardship in order to raise her children
Well however it's true that there are some dedicated mothers
Those who are very kind and warm
You were abandoned when you were a baby and had been abandoned for 18 years

Besides mothers are supposed to be dedicated it'd be too hard for them
But saying that "mothers are supposed to" is just wrong
People are bound to be different



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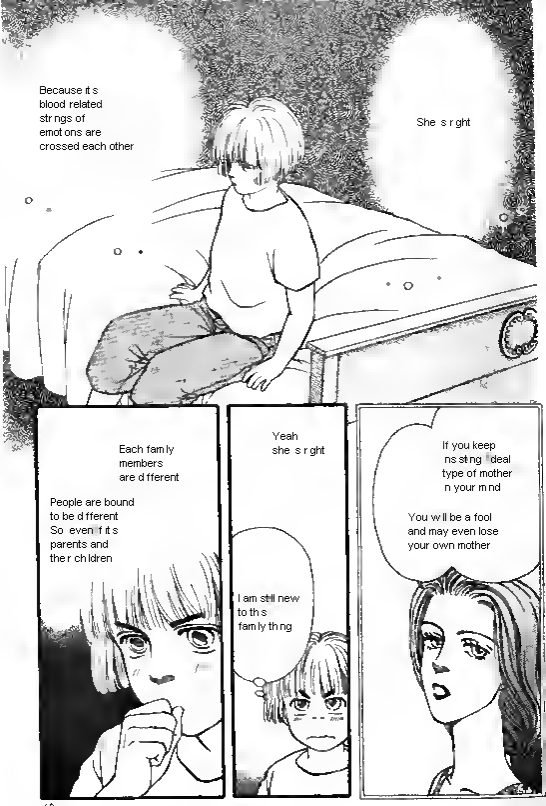
I don't know whether you are badmouthing mother or praising mother
How so?
What you are saying is
weird
No matter what kind of family it is, when you go deep inside they are bound to be weird in a way or another
But it's only natural
You see
Among human relationships the most hard to understand and yet the most strong are blood related
I guess it's because a family is a collection of people with different thoughts views and positions
Why?

Just keep in mind that if you keep ns sting ideal type of mother in your mind
You will be a fool and may even lose your own mother
It doesn't matter
?
?
?
Huyou-onesan !
By any chance you
Um
What?

I do hate her
But I don't dslke her
Do you hate mother ?


Because its blood related strings of emotions are crossed each other
She is right
Each family members are different
People are bound to be different So even if its parents and their children
Yeah she is right
I am still new to this family thing
If you keep insisting ideal type of mother in your mind
You will be a fool and may even lose your own mother

Ahah ?
Wait
How about my case ?

Talked to mother at all !
Wait !
Come to think of it, I haven't even

She has never apologized for that at all !!
I haven't asked about my father
And why I had been abandoned for 18 years
And
For some reason, I am pissed
I have a right to ask such questions as her daughter!
Perhaps this is the first step in mother and daughter relationship
All right!

If it s clean ng do it later
I am gett ng really dense headache Close the curta ns
Um no
Argh
Um
Um
Take breakfast out of my room And get me some asp r n
Um
And clean my shoes
And change water n the flower vase

Yes !
Do it now !
I didn't come here for this, mother !
Yur
I came here to ask something !

Yes
Were you
I sten ng to
me when I
was say ng
that I had
a dense
headache ?
And yet
you shout
to me !?
Are you
trying to
kill me ?!
I barely get any
break from work
When I get a chance
to rest, let me rest !
Quit bothering
me and get out
of here !

I just wanted to ask about father.
I am sorry
Ugh forget it
Makurano Ichrou was a betrayer
Well, to you, I am probably just another maid.
and you are always in a bad mood ...
And I haven't had a chance to talk so ...
yes?
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He had me as h s w fe Yet he had an affa r with another woman
Makurano Ichirou
Your so called father
He was rece v ng my love
Yet he loved another woman
So I dumped h m
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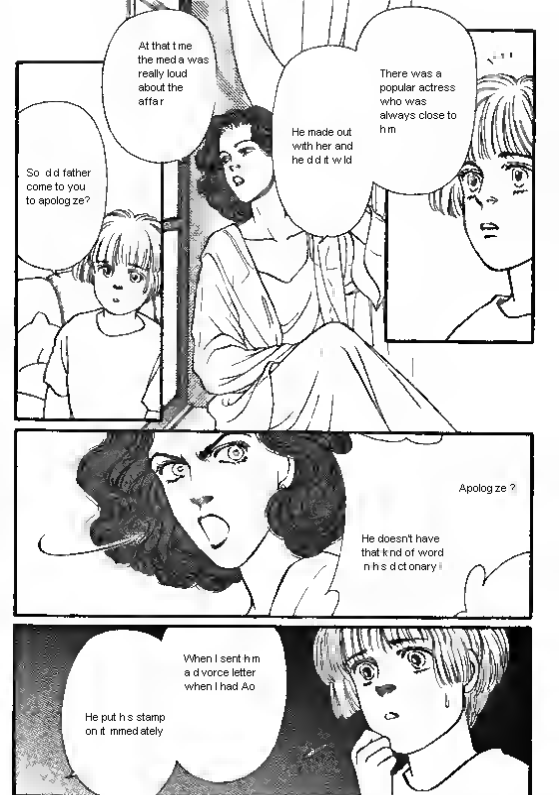
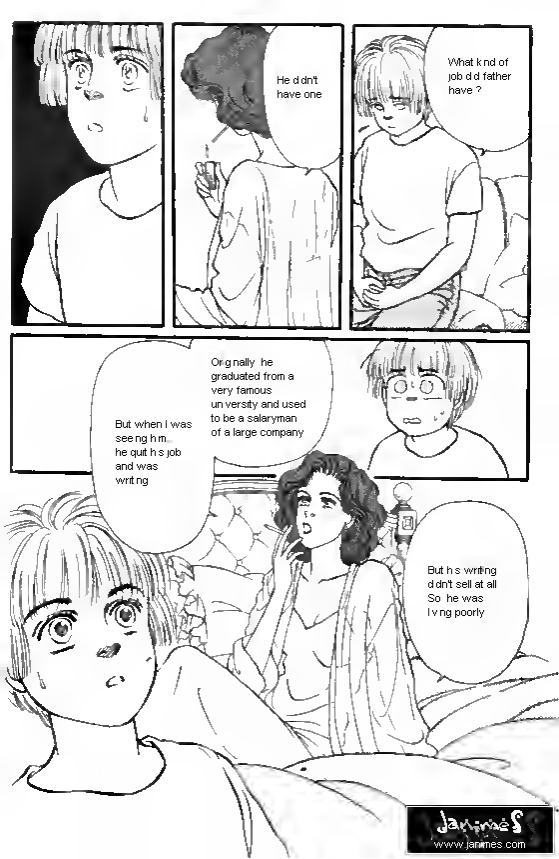
"D dn't want to ra se"
She says such words so eas ly
You were st ll a newly born baby back them I fet gulity for leav ng you
But I d dn't want to ra se a betrayer s daughter
I regretted more as t me passed So I was about to take you back
But unfortunately Ao was n my uterus
But perhaps t s bettrer than I sten ng to self defens ve speech


At that time the media was really loud about the affair
There was a popular actress who was always close to him
He made out with her and he did it wild
So did father come to you to apologize?
Apologize?
He doesn't have that kind of word in his dictionary!
When I sent him a divorce letter when I had Ao
He put his stamp on it immediately

You wanted father to come and see you ?
And he sent it by mail
He didn't even come !
No way would one simple piece of paper relieve all my anger !
Don't be ridiculous !
I had a lot to shout at him !
Ahahahah, recalling the past is seriously pissing me off again


He d dn't have one
What k nd of job d d father have ?
Orig nally he graduated from a very famous un versty and used to be a salaryman of a large company
But when I was see ng h m.. he quit h s job and was writ ng
But h s writing d dn't sell at all So he was l v ng poorly
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Some
say
that
He was
a novel st ?
< exactly
G ve up
You are
out of luck
What s
with that
face ?
Don't tell me that
you are hop ng
to f nd h s books
in bookstores?

If he had an ability to sell books, he would have been a good salesman.
But my income was way higher than his.
Mother, what did you just say?
Because of me, he could
If you don't like the sound of gigolo, call him however you like.
However, the fact was that I was supporting the entire family.
But calling him a

And then
Because I was supporting the entire family, he was able to concentrate on his sticking writing
Yeah
Such a woman?
How dare he — with such a woman !!
A rube and ugly woman !

Thinking a beautiful woman like me lost to such a woman
Then she wasn't ugly
She was always bragging about that she won Ms something
She was so childish
What if the woman was more beautiful than you ?
It would have pissed me to hell !!

Yes !
Get out !
I have nothing more to say !
Thanks to you, you've messed up my head good !
One
I am counting to 10 now If you are still here after I count 10
I will throw this
Um
Two
did father marry the woman ?
Um after you and father got divorced
three

He deserves it
He was probably dumped
Because the woman got married to another man soon after my divorce
Eight

I am a daughter of someone like that

No wonder mother s cold at me

A playboy, a gigolo, and wasn't making good money ...

According to mother father was

A useless jerk

Thinking such a beautiful woman like me lost to such a woman

Was mother not loved by father

Dear mirror dear mirror

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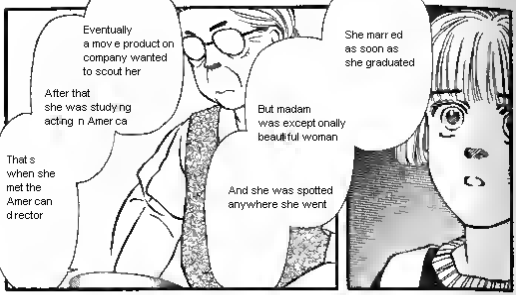
It's that woman.
Who s the one he loves the most ?
Who ?
It s not you

Petals are flow ng
The red petals are
overwhelm ng
You shake
the velvet s petals
v olently

Yes ?
I am wonder ng that how father who was poor and not famous
and mother who once marr ed to an Amer can d rector
ended up together?
They were l v ng n two totally d fferent world
Eh ?
Yes, she d d
Accord ng to what my grandmother told me she just stayed at h s place
But accord ng to mother

Bes des
Mr Ichrou was
the madam s
pr vate lesson
teacher
The madam
was nto Mr
Ichrou ever
s nce she
was n
h gh school
but
Madam was
l v ng n Tokyo
s nce m ddle
school
Father l ved
n Tokyo
Madam s father
had few compan es
n Tokyo
So she went
to a pr vate
school w th
a campus
And her father
used to stay
mostly n Tokyo
hold it
t ght

After her father found out about the incident, he was really angry.
That means she did everything she could to look more appealing to him.
And came up with an arranged marriage proposal with a heir of a big bank.
When she was 17, she went to a friend's house and met Mr. Ichirou there.
Madam is an activist
It was because Mr. Ichirou rejected madam.
I find it amusing that mother followed her father's decision.
"I have no intention to marry you!" he said.
He was direct.
Yes ?!


Eventually a movie production company wanted to scout her
After that she was studying acting in America
That's when she met the American director
But madam was exceptionally beautiful woman
And she was spotted anywhere she went
She married as soon as she graduated

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She chased
h m to h s
house
And she just
stayed there
told you
that she
s an
act v st
wow
Yes
I have
Have you met
my father ?

Mr Ichirou was a quiet and kind person
So ?
was his order
So
Bring that stupid child back now
When I came to his house, they seemed to be friendly and close
You've rejected our lady once before
Why did you
When madam was out for shopping for dinner, I yelled at him
When I saw them together
I suddenly grew anger
Friendly and close ?

I beg you
Please take
her back to
Satporo
And then
he
Please
What
I've loved her ever since
I saw her for the first time
I've loved her
so much

Why
I didn't come to hear th s
I do not have
Much t me left

Yes
He died 4 years later after that day
Did he mean he couldn't live much longer?
I was yelled at by the master though
and told him that if both of them loved each other they should be married and left
But at that time I understood what he said wrong and thought he was busy with his job
This whole thing is becoming more and more mysterious
If he loved her
then why did father have an affair with another woman

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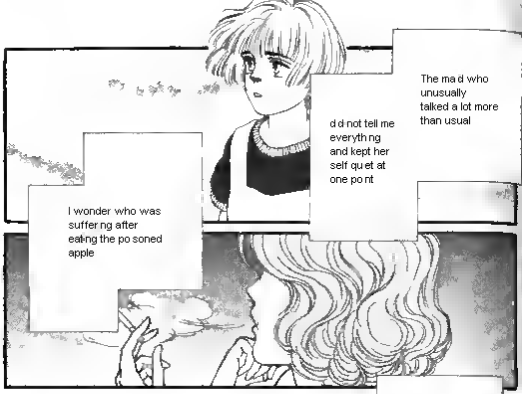
The maid who unusually talked a lot more than usual
did not tell me everything and kept herself quiet at one point
I wonder who was suffering after eating the poisoned apple

Perhaps for father and mother the poisoned apple was

me

When I thought that

I suddenly became afraid

Episode 6 / end

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Episode 7 : A white rose in backyard

—Th s p cture

Whose ?

Episode 7
A white rose in backyard

I have no idea when she will be back.

Mother went back to Tokyo due to work.

I don't want sky to be low ! I don't want to bump my head on it!

The sky is so high

I had so much to ask her

it s fall now

I am picking up walnuts now. When it's full of this bag,
she said she'd make a cake made of these and banana.
I am hungry ! Give me something.
Already back from school ?
If I wait that long, I will starve to death !
Idiot !
Make me something, anything !
And he doesn't get fat at all. No fair.
Why do you care?!
How many times do you eat per day?
You are so hostile whenever you are hungry.
GRUMBLE
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You know that s your 3rd cup
One more red tea
Here !

She went out for shopp ng
Tell her that I won't eat d nner ton ght

Hey
Where s the ma d ?
Sum re oni san
Welcome back

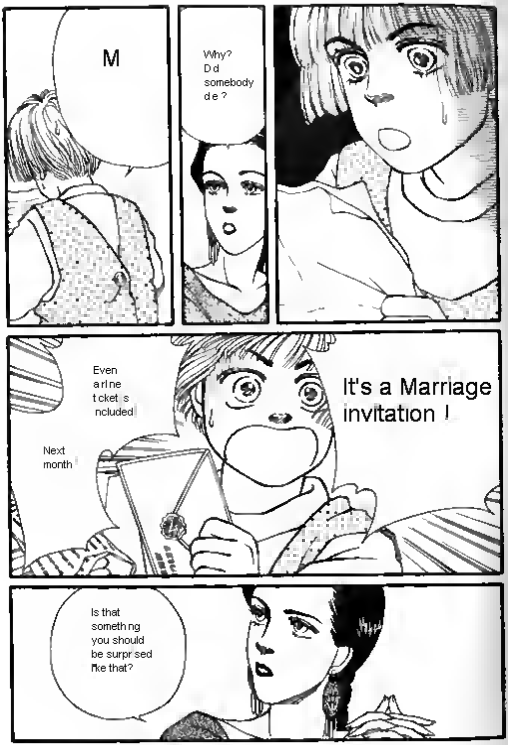
A fr end needs some help for mov ng
Go ng somewhere?
You are go ng now ?
t s gett ng dark already
That s why he needs help!

Ah ok
I am going
Ths s where Sumre onisan drank
Shut up ! I know already !

Hmmph
I bet it s you who are more d sappo nted
Too bad for you that Sum re on san won't be ava lable ton gh
You l ke Sum re
Why don't you look at a m rror p g
Don't you l e to me
I am not really
Aren't you h s s ster ?
Even f I am ugly I am a woman
Ao s a man and h s brother

Do you really expect Sumre to even look at you who are fat short and ugly ?
Besides, Sumre doesn't like women
Do you really think so, you fat pig !
Don't treat me like you who sneaks into his room almost every night and kisses him!
That's so mean ! It's just small one-sided love, that's all !

I am the one who should be p ssed off for be ng treated the same level as you are
How long are you go ng to f ght for someth ng l ke that?
Are you two we rd ?
Huh?
Here s a letter for you
Tea please
Don t eat m ne
Ah t s from a fr end of m ne from h gh school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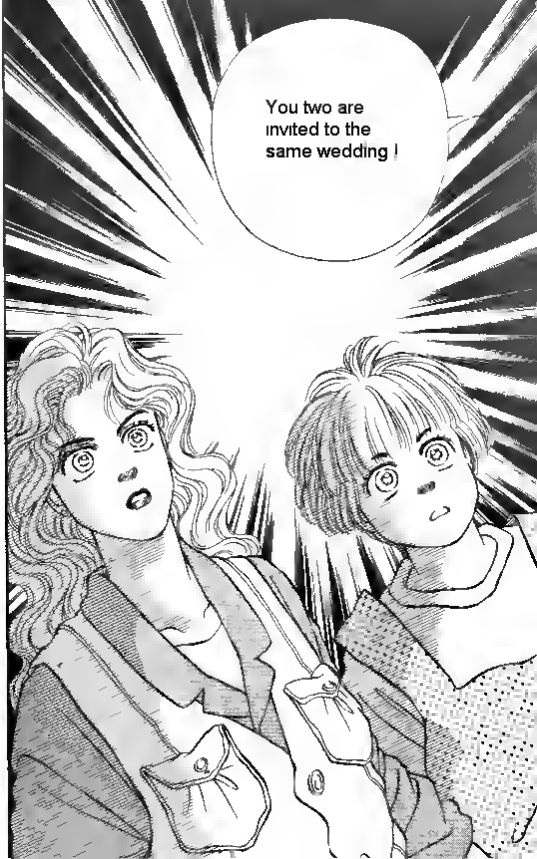
Why? Did somebody die?
Even airline tickets included!
Next month!
It's a Marriage invitation!
Is that something you should be surprised like that?

A baby ?!
What
But she is the same age as me! She was a high school student few months ago
I see
So that s why they are marry ng so suddenly
amazing

While you are paused at middle schooler
Everyone else is taking their steps as women
You think so?
And you barely reach the level of middle schoolers !!
It's obvious !

Go to the wedd ng and get bull ed
yeah
Other g rls w ll be there as well
And they are probably pretty un versity and college students now
No one in this house has the size you need.
You might as well ask the maid.
I am not sure if I have a proper dress to wear for a wedding.
Ask her now !
Ah. you are back.
What about me ?

What ?
It looks like a wedding invitation
Yes?
What
Hey you
There is a letter for you Ao!
Oh my!
oh my my!
can I see yours for a moment?


You two are invited to the same wedding !

Hey, Ao, how are you doing I happened to get a very young wife
The baby will be born next year
He's a professor at an university
Looks like I've got myself a permanet job while trying to get into an university
I am not going !
If I go there and declare to people that that thing is my older sister I will be laughed at
I'd rather send him a letter to tell him that I will not be there
Same ticket
Same time
Same plane

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Uncle ?
He was the only person who I liked you before you came here Besides, he's your uncle
I bet you have to go
Eh ?
Mother's 4th husband's remarried wife's last brother
Why don't you worry about yourself !
Even if he's called uncle, he's very young. He has visited here few times

Damn it
I am going to prepare dinner a bit later
I am going to try it on!
Right!
I had this one piece dress I bought in this spring!
If you have time to whine
Why don't you try to make her look a bit better?
What
I am so unlucky

You said you don't want to be laughed at?
What ?!
Why do I even have to do anything to make her look better ?!
If you don't do anything...
I am sure she will go like that
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Well
If you don't care I guess that's fine
Don't joke me
Who would
oh no

Besides, when I bought this dress, I had long hair ...
This does not look very good.
Is th s your savngs box ?
I have no dress to wear !!

That's my emergency fund !
What only 20 000 yen ?
Write down your s ze
Ah !
And s nce you are do ng it wrte down your feet s ze as well !
What?
I have to make you look better somehow
There s 3 weeks before the wedd ng
I w ll coach you
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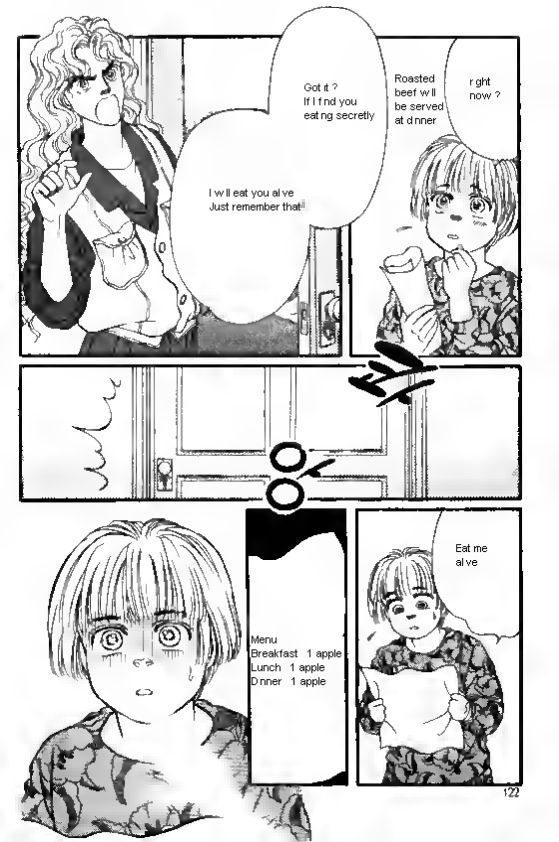
It's NOT for you !
It's for me, damn it !
I am not sure what you are try ng to do
But thanks
You are dong th s for me
A young woman has noth ng but fat on her wa st I bet your breast and h p s ze are the same or maybe even smaller than your wa st s ze I tell you what that s llness !
f I lose that much I w ll get ll
Got it ! Lose at least 3 kg !
Don't eat anyth ng th s week

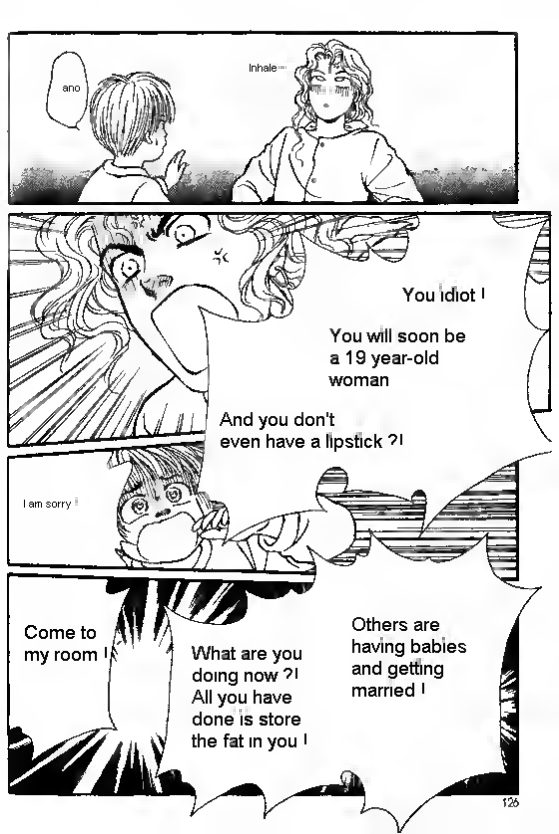
What I am saying is don't eat anything besides what I tell you to eat !
I will die
Ah
Ths s the menu You begn r ght now
I am go ng out to f nd a dress
In your w ldest dreams
I probably lost 1kg due to the shock


Got it ?
If I find you
eating secretly
I will eat you alive
Just remember that
Roasted
beef will
be served
at dinner
right
now ?
Menu
Breakfast 1 apple
Lunch 1 apple
Dinner 1 apple
Eat me
alive

I am the one who is about to collapse I have to go find a good dress with only 20 000 yen
Stupid ! Models eat nothing but water and vitamin for a month
Apple s a heathy food !
With a menu like that she will collapse in 3 days
Good luck
I am leaving !
Damn it

There was no sign of losing weight even after a week
What is this ?!!
But perhaps it was due to her stored fat
It was expected that Yuri might collapse in 3 days
KIKU
SARA
You did not even lose at all ! What kind of body do you have ?!
No weight loss even after 2 weeks
You are not human
How are they doing ?
It looks like she photosynthesizes
weighting machine

I am the one who is shocked for seeing not being able to lose any weight !
You don't have to be so mean !!
say what?
I don't have any cosmet cs
Well wth a body l ke yours it won't make much d fference even f you lose 2 or 3 kg
Let s cover it with some makeup
No cosmet cs


ano
Inhale
You idiot !
You will soon be a 19 year-old woman
And you don't even have a lipstick ?!
I am sorry !
Come to my room !
What are you doing now ?! All you have done is store the fat in you !
Others are having babies and getting married !

I see you really are h
Wow— Ao you have cosmet cs
H what?
Hmmph
Handsome
H H h h
ah
F rst of all you use th s
ah
Then th s
ah
And Ike th s
That
After that th s
ah
These were g ven by guys who m stook me as a g rl
Sit here

But it s embarrass ng
Argh ! You idiot ! Where are you looking at ?!
Ugh ! I will do it !
Yes. I heard some sound from kitchen after m dn ght So I came down to see what was go ng on
There was Yur who was eat ng only r ce
What?!
Is that true ?!
Eatng
wow
I asked her 'What are you do ng?'

Anyway th s s really amazing
No wonder she hasn't lost any we ght
It happened almost every n ght
And she was n a blank status
she sa d
Anyway, I have to tell Ao about th s
The d et was too much for her
You have to know this
Aoi !
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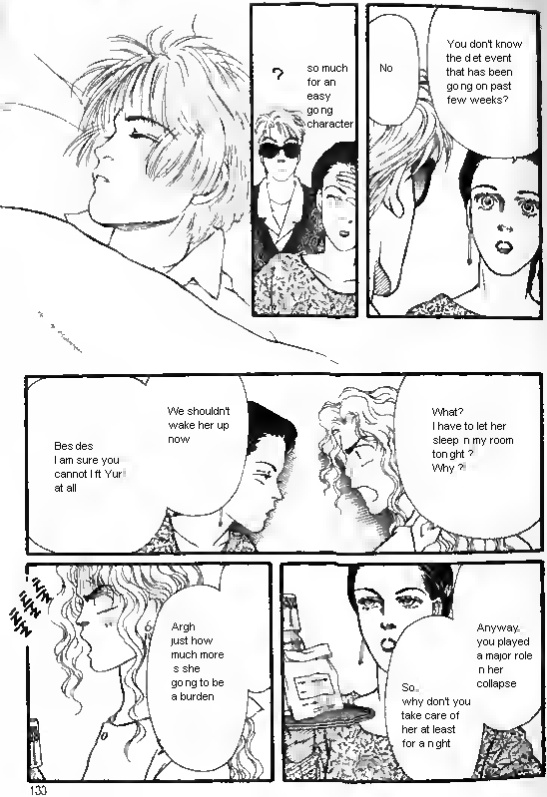
What
happened ?!

She suddenly vomited
And collapsed right away
Doctor
Call a doctor now !
Now !

What happened to Yuri ?
Stress
Closing deadline to lose her weight
And having been eating unconsciously at night
Her body was losing balance and finally gave up
What do you mean closing deadline to lose wright ?


You don't know the d et event that has been go ng on past few weeks?
No
?
so much for an easy go ng character
What? I have to let her sleep n my room ton ght ? Why ?!
We shouldn't wake her up now
Bes des I am sure you cannot l ft Yur! at all
Anyway, you played a major role n her collapse
So.. why don't you take care of her at least for a n ght
Argh just how much more s she go ng to be a burden

Shut up !
You were pale when she collapsed remember ?
sorry
I overheard I ate bowls of r ce wh le asleep ?

yeah
Your body has mnd of its own it s no use
I am really s ck of you now
Don't ever try to lose weght
I was be ng greedy
I feel so stup d
All I have to do as a fr end at the wedd ng s just say few sweet words
You helped me a lot as well

I didn't get to be any prett er at all
Sorry
I am go ng to my room
No. just sleep

Ok
And !!
Forget it and just sleep over !
If you leave my room now, I will be the ultimately bad guy !
But
Close your eyes I w ll clean it off
You st ll have makeup on your face
Don't close eyes so hard !
OK

If you look at
th s th ng from
a d fferent
angle it s
kind of cute

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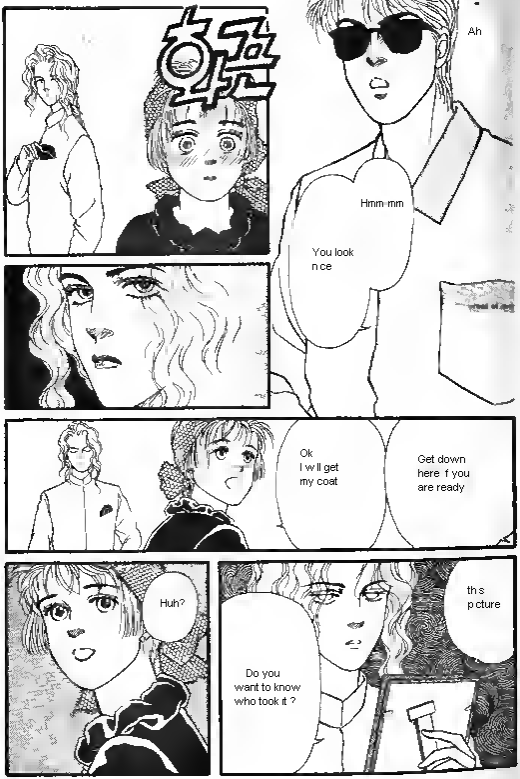
I was relieved from stress and, having eaten patient's meal
When I realized
I recovered fully after 3 days
I lost 2 kg
Wow
I don't feel like this same
This should do it
I cannot make you any prettier now At least not with your current status

Sumire on san when he was younger?
Whose picture is this?
What?
it's me
Of course not!
Ao you didn't have long hair in the beginning?
the picture was taken in the backtard soon after I came here

Mnd your own bus ness
Why d d you grow your har ?
Ao! you look very handsome even wth short har
Oh my ! !
The cab s here Are you ready
Sum re ! Come here ! You have to see th s
You look pretty


Ah
Hmm·mm
You look
nce
Ok
I w ll get
my coat
Get down
here f you
are ready
Huh?
th s
p cture
Do you
want to know
who took it ?

Sumre s fancee
And they are so close each other
I s ncerely tell you th s You w ll not f nd any space for you to enter between them

But
I thought Sumire on san didn't like women
He does dislike women.
Except his fiancee,
Other women are only trash to him !
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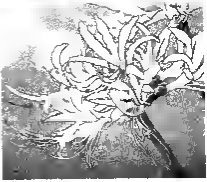
Episode 8

A thousand of angels ...

Everything
is dark
now.

.....
For me,



Just how much dark
Th s much
What s up with you ?
You are surrounded by dark aura !
Stop it I don't l ke that face

Sigh ~
Th s kind s ster
w ll l sten to you
What s it ?
What s it ?
Why are
you troubled?
Is it
true
that
Sum reion san
has a f ancee?

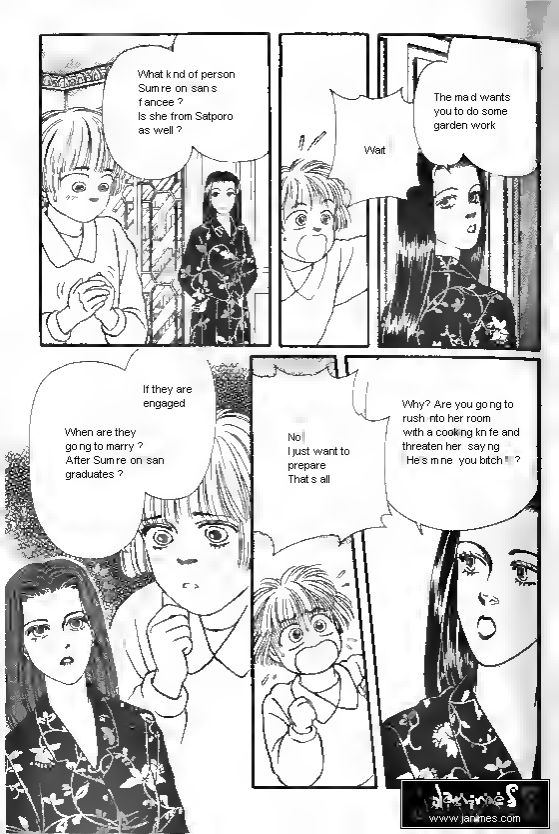
What kind of idiot would think such a handsome guy would have no girlfriend or whatsoever ?
Of course !

This kind of idiot ->

Bes des Sum re doesn't l ke ugly g rls
Why do you care so much? You are h s s ster
It s not l ke you can reach marr age w th h m

But
No one told me
And Sum re on san doesn't seem to l ke women And he' s so mean when he s sober so

Did you gain weight ?
What part of you makes "a kiind sister" ?
You just love him however you want.
You are out of his interest in many ways anyway
I eat well and am healthy ! That's what counts !
I guess 2kg is really noth ng to you huh?
I thought you got a little th n last t me But you are back to normal now
You eat and it goes r ght to your fat storage
you rem nd me of those compost on memory alloy


What kind of person Sumire on san's fiancee ?
Is she from Satporo as well ?
Wait
The maid wants you to do some garden work
If they are engaged
When are they going to marry ?
After Sumire on san graduates ?
No!
I just want to prepare
That's all
Why? Are you going to rush into her room with a cooking knife and threaten her saying "He's mine you bitch!!"?
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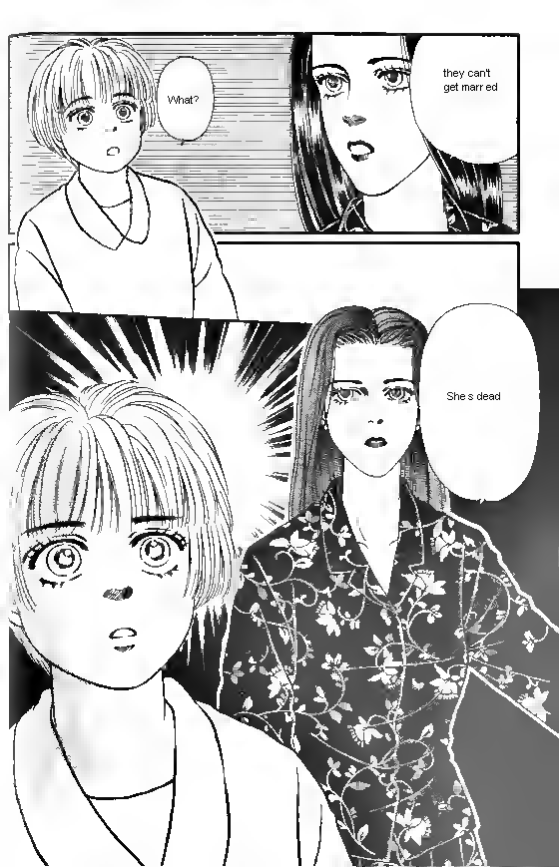
What?
they can't get marr ed
She s dead

Ao said they were really close And told me that I would never find space to enter between them so
That s all he said
You didn't know ?
No
2 years ago
No it will be 3 years by this fall
She died when Sumire was 19 so
She s dead ?
She died of cancer
His fiancee he loved is dead ?

No, I don't want to.
Ask Sumire.
Please tell me more !
Huyou-onesan !
Excuse me. I am off to bed.
It must have been a devastating memory for him...
How could I ask such a question !
Huh?
Liar. You are actually relieved aren't you?

She isn't dead
I was just
making fun
of you

I would
never !
What
she's dead
It's no worry
Sumire-onisan
's single
like that

What

See what
I mean ?

You were not be ng bad
You don't have to h de it Just be honest
Whether you are rel eved or d sappo nted they are all truth
yes
You were d sappo nted for a moment, r ght ?
But try ng to h de such feelings that s bad
But I th nk a part of me wanted to h de that
I guess you are r ght I was ndeed rel eved

I was just angry That s all
Because I liked her
Although you sound like you are speaking right out of your head, but you pinpoint to tell important things at right time
Huyou onesan s really a s ster
She was really a good girl
I really wished her to live much longer
Fine
I will tell you everything
Her name was

Her name was
Tsubak sawa Ser
They became classmates when they were sen ors in m ddle school
And all the sudden she became the top n class wh ch Sum re used to be
The top ?
Sum re on san was that smart ?
He has very h gh pr de
He won pretty much everyone by h s appearance So he wanted to w n them by grade also

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You are one year older than us Of course, you have to do better than any of us
But after hearing that she was one year older than the rest
I like that he was being a jerk
I am older than them
I'd ashamed if I couldn't do better than them
Right
And that was enough to wash away Sumire's jealousy completely

It seems I did not get enough nutrition because I was born when my family was really poor
That's what my mother says always
I was ill I had to leave school for a year
Why are you older than us ?
I am sorry
From that point it was pretty obvious that Sumire will fall in love with her
Where did you just
Therefore I love to eat
Here want some ?
WoW

All brothers ?
I am the first
Mom, dad and 4 younger brothers
Yep two twins They are very noisy

Your family must be very rich, Sumire.
Did you just say 7?
My 7 family members are living in an apartment with only 2 rooms !

Whoa his eyes are blue !

Siss here A guest
A guest ?
Come and visit next time !
ジッ
ジッ
ジッ

Me too
Me too
Me too
Isn't that awesome ? Ask him to lift you so that you can see better
Shigeru is peeing
Idiot that's mine
Sis can I eat this ?
Don't draw on walls
Yeah the high school I am going to apply may be too hard for me
How about high school? The exam is on this year!
You think so too ? But you can get used to it
How did you manage to study under this condition?
광!
따따

We_freshmen_
But she entered the same h gh school as Sum re and was the top
What ?
We are mov ng!
it s amaz ng! it s a 4 room apartment !
Sumire !
So many phone calls last n ght They were all to congratulate father for h s promot on
Father was promoted !

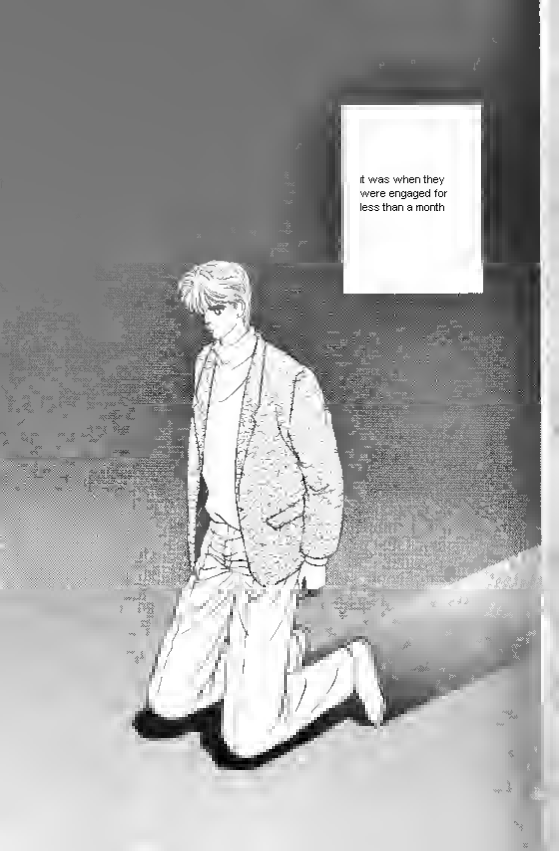
Really
Fahter tr ed
really hard
Papa !
Papa !
Dad ~
you are awesome !
You are the ebst !
What s
wrong ?
Ah even though
we are mov ng
it s only few
blocks away
So
Ah ?

Do you know how many guys n our class Ike you ?
You are pretty and smart
And you really have good personality
The one I love s only you Sum re
What are you talking about ?
Eventually you w ll fall n love with someone
Very clearly
d d you hear that ?
헉끕
ah

I probably love you more than you love me.
I am happy that you love me.
please turn around.
Do you want my lunch ?
Yeah !
I I am so moved I am un ntent onally cry ng
Bes des I am dripp ng from my nose also I can't turn

When he looked at her face she was really dropp ng th ck tears
Chew well By the way your face is covered with r ce
" sub I am cry n th s lunch s del c ous !
They were an nv nc ble couple
They were attract ng each other
#1 Sum re
#2 Ser
#3 Hondawara
#4 Uebosh
Doesn't matter. The person who will be chewing pickled radish next to you is me.
I wonder what kind of grandfa and grandma we will be ...
A man keeps h s words
Oh my!
I w ll beat you by the next exam
Everyone felt satisfied by just staring at them.

... half year the most ?
Her illness became act ve agan It was when they were freshmen in an un versity
It was cancer.


it was when they were engaged for less than a month

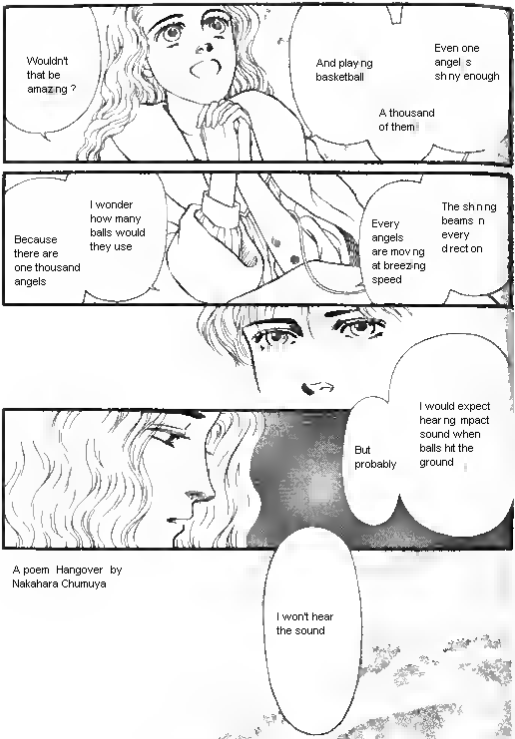
Were you sleep ng?
Because she will die soon ...
She is getting thiner everyday ..
Sumire,
Did you just get here?
yeah, Huyou send you this..

What is death ?
Seri is right here.
Seri s go ng to d e ?
Yes
She s supposed to d e shortly n reality
But I do not understand
Yeah the trees covered w th snow w ll be very beaut ful
What? Mounta n ?
I want to go to a mounta n

Now you want to go to a mountain ?!
Are you stupid ?!
You almost died last month due to pneumonia !
You ...
Sumire! Let's go now !
If I do that
Will I die ?
You will die !
Even healthy person will die !

L quor ?
Sum re w ll go with me
With l quor
Yeah
Then I w ll go after I recover
I am sure I won't wake up aga n f I fall asleep on a snowy mounta n
I fall asleep when I am drunk
it warms you up
Ser you are m sunderstand ng someth ng Hangpver s not someth ng you would want to dream it s awful
Hmm s that so
yeah
I want to exper ence it—
What ?
I wonder how it feels to have a hang- over

Basketball
angels dur ng hang over ?
What do those angels do ?
There s a poem about hangover
a thousand of angels
A thousand of angels play basketball
Heavy and clumsy sunsh ne shed its l ght on w ndy ground


Wouldn't that be amazing ?
And playing basketball
Even one angel is shiny enough
A thousand of them
Because there are one thousand angels
I wonder how many balls would they use
Every angels are moving at breezing speed
The shining beams in every direction
But probably
I would expect hearing impact sound when balls hit the ground
I won't hear the sound

A poem Hangover by Nakahara Chumuya

Sumire !
A call from the hospital
Seri is in a critical condition !

When the doctor sa d she d only I ve half year the most
I knew th s day would come
But I cannot think of what would happen after her death !
Seri is going to die tonight ?!
I don't understand !

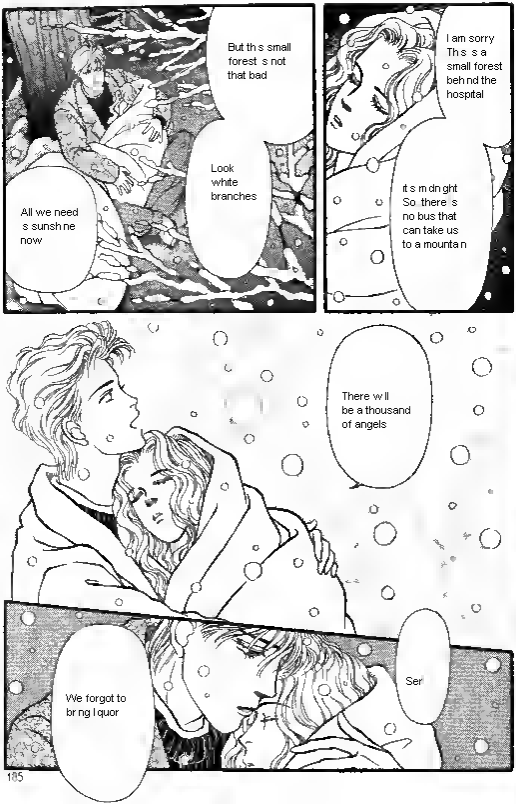
Bro
s s s go ng
to d e ?
No
she w ll
not d e
We prom sed
She prom sed to l ve
unt l 100 years old
And I prom sed ot l ve
unt l 99 years old
We promm sed
Is there
Sum re ?
The pat ent
s look ng
for you

Sumire
Take me to a mountain now
How are you feeling?
Sumire
There's snowstorm outside Let's go tomorrow
After I die no one do not love anyone
I just wanted to say that

Just do not forget about me
It s all r ght to love somebody else
No that s not poss ble
Of course I w ll only love you
Recall me
From t me to t me and love me
There s no woman who s better than you
I wanted to be
a grand mother

Seri
Hey
Seri !

What are you doing, Sumi...
Where are you going ?!
Sumire !


But th s small forest s not that bad
Look white branches
All we need s sunsh ne now
I am sorry Th s s a small forest beh nd the hospital
it s m dn ght So there s no bus that can take us to a mountain
There w ll be a thousand of angels
Ser
We forgot to br ng l quor

It s time to let go of her
She s not asleep She s dead
No she s asleep
Sumire
Let go of Sei
She is not dead !
Feel her !
She is warm !
That s your warmth

She will open her eyes in morning !
Seri is alive !
No
I am not giving you Seri
She s only sleeping

It took h m a year just to get h m back on track

After loss of Ser Sum re literally became a l v ng zombe

And

Whenever he was drunk he became k nd

Ser s famly moved away soon after s nce her father had to move
Ser s mother and brothers literally wa led dur ng the separat on wth Sum re
Sum re was already a member in the r famly
steam from breath
t s snowy season agan
I honesity do not know what he sees through h s drunken eyes
But he has already lost someone he wants to be the most kind to

I close my eyes
I see a thousand of angels play ng basketbal
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